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Re: December 2010 Monthly Progress Report

Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Removal Action

U.S. EPA Region 10 Docket No. CERCLA 10-2009-0255

Gasco Sediments Site within the Portland Harbor Superfund Site

Project Number: 000029-02.28

Dear Mr. Sheldrake:

This monthly progress report provides information required by Section VIII, Paragraph 26, of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Removal Action (Order) for actions taken between December 1 and December 31, 2010, at the Gasco Sediments Site within the Portland Harbor Superfund Site.

## 1. ACTIONS TAKEN IN THIS MONTH AND PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED

The following actions and correspondences occurred in this month:

- **December 9** NW Natural and Siltronic proposal to cancel the regularly scheduled agency coordination meeting due to lack of discussion topics and EPA approval of the cancellation.
- **December 13** Anchor QEA provided the EPA-oversight contractor with a schedule update for anticipated receipt of the final validated analytical results for the *Final Project Area Identification Report* data gaps sampling and the required submittal date of the *Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis and Data Report* 90-days following this receipt.

- **December 15** Anchor QEA discussions with EPA-oversight contractor regarding total petroleum hydrocarbon sampling and analyses at the Gasco Sediments Site.
- **December 16** Anchor QEA submitted the monthly progress report.

## 2. RESULTS OF SAMPLING, TESTS, AND OTHER DATA RECEIVED

Anchor QEA and Maul Foster Alongi, Inc. continued to receive data collected as part of the *Final Project Area Identification Report* data gaps sampling and submit this data for validation.

## 3. SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE NEXT MONTH

We anticipate the following activities to occur in the next month:

- Submittal of the January monthly progress report.
- Receipt of additional *Final Project Area Identification Report* data gaps sampling preliminary analytical data and submittal of this data for validation.
- Continued discussions with EPA regarding total petroleum hydrocarbon fraction sampling at the Gasco Sediments Site.
- Meeting with EPA to discuss the Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis and Data Report.

## 4. ANTICIPATED PROBLEMS AND PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

No problems or unforeseen conditions were encountered.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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